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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: ASEC, ARA
SUBJECT: REPORT OF JRA ACTIVITIES IN ARGENTINA

1. THIS DATE, RSO MET WITH COMISARIO INSPECTOR JORGE LUIS DELL'AMICO, CHIEF OF THE FOREIGN AFFAIRS DIVISION OF THE FEDERAL SECURITY SERVICE, AND COMISARIO LAUDEMARIO LUIS AZARIO, HIS ASSISTANT. SOURCES STATED THEY HAD RECEIVED REPORTS THAT TOHIRA, KAZUO AND WAMAMOTO, MARIKO, BOTH MEMBERS OF THE JAPANESE RED ARMY (JRA), HAD BEEN SEEN IN BUENOS AIRES. TOHIRA WAS REPORTED SEEN BY SEVERAL PERSONS IN A HOTEL AND THE IDENTIFICATIONS WERE FIRM; SIGHTING AND IDENTIFICATION ON WAMAMOTO WAS NOT AS POSITIVE. CONSEQUENTLY, FEDERAL SECURITY SERVICE HAS POSTED POLICE AGENTS IN HOTELS IN AN ATTEMPT TO LOCATE AND IDENTIFY THESE PERSONS AND OTHER POSSIBLE MEMBERS OF THE JRA. THEY HAVE ALSO PROVIDED AIR FORCE POLICE AT EZEIZA AIRPORT WITH PICTURES OF MEMBERS OF THE JRA AND ALL OTHER POLICE ELEMENTS WITH SIMILAR INFORMATION. THEY HAVE REQUESTED THE ARGENTINE EMBASSY IN JAPAN TO OBTAIN FROM JAPANESE AUTHORITIES FINGERPRINTS OF RED ARMY MEMBERS SO THAT IF A SUSPECT IS APPREHENDED THEY CAN

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MAKE A POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION. SOURCE STATED THAT INSPITE OF THESE ALLEGED SIGHTINGS, IT IS UNLIKELY THAT THE JRA WILL LAUNCH AN OPERATION IN ARGENTINA. THE MOST LOGICAL TARGET WOULD BE THE JAPANESE EMBASSY WHICH IS EXTREMELY WELL PROTECTED. ADDITIONAL, EVEN IF THEY RAN AN OPERATION, SUCCESSFULLY TOOK HOSTAGES AND ATTEMPTED TO NEGOTIATE, THE ARGENTINE GOVT WOULD NOT PERMIT THEM TO

LEAVE THE COUNTRY. CONSEQUENTLY, AN OPERATION IN ARGENTINE
WOULD NOT BE PRODUCTIVE.

2. INSPITE OF THEIR DOUBTS, THEY HAVE TAKEN WHAT THEY
FELT ARE PRUDENT MEASURES TO ELIMINATE THE POSSIBILITY OF
TERRORIST ACTIVITIES BY THIS GROUP. SOURCE STATED THEY
WOULD KEEP US INFORMED OF ANY INFORMATION THEY MAY RECEIVE
CONCERNING INTERNATIONAL TERRORIST ACTIVITIES DIRECTED AT
ARGENTINA DURING THE WORLD CUP AND REQUESTED THAT WE
RECIPROCAT. RESPONSE IN CONNECTION WITH THIS MATTER SHOULD
COME THROUGH SY CHANNEL.
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